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THE
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MADE BETWEEN
HIS MAJESTY
AND THE
KNIGHTS, GENTLEMEN,
Free-holders, and Inhabitants of the
County of SOUTHAMPTON, for the
better Provision and Ordering of His
MAJESTIES *Army,*

AND
A DECLARATION
of His MAJESTIES Gracious
acceptation thereof.

AND
His Royall Proclamation commanding the due observation thereof in all Parts.

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At OXFORD, March 20.

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AND THE
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Freeholders, and Inhabitants of the
County of Southampton, for the
better Division of the
M.A.



A DECLARATION
of His Majesty's Gracious
acceptance thereof

AND
His Majesty's Proclamation commanding
that the due observation thereof be in all Parts

Witnessed by His Majesty's Command
at OXFORD, the 20th day of
By J. G. [illegible]
to the [illegible]



THE AGREEMENTS

Made between His Majesty, and
the Knights, Gentlemen, Freeholders,
and Inhabitants of the County of
SOUTHAMPTON.

THe High-Sheriffe, Gentlemen, Free-
holders, and Inhabitants of the
County of *Southampton*, have agreed
with His Majesty, to pay by the way
of Loane, a weekly Contribution of fourteen
Hundred pounds, for the space of a Month; to
be proportionably rated and taxed on the said
County, according to the ancient and usuall
Course of Rates; towards the maintenance of
His Majesties Army, and His Garrisons in that
County.

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That

That a third part of the said summe may be paid by the severall Hundreds, Parishes, and Persons, on whom the same or any part thereof shall be rated, in provisions to the severall places and Garrisons appoynted to receive the same, according to the prices following, or according to such other Prices, as the Commissioners on occasion, shall in their Discretions think meet to set:

Hay at 6^d the Todde.

Oates at 14^d the Bushell.

Wheat at 4^s the Bushell.

That if any Hundred, Parish, or particular Person, shall make default of payment, that the same shall belevyed by Distresse by the Constables, Tything-men, or Collectors of that place, with the assistance of the Commander of that part of the Kings Army, next to the place where such default shall be, and for the supply of whom that part shall be allotted.

And His Majesty is gratioussly pleased to grant, That no Officer or Souldier of His Majesties Army, shall presse or take any Horses from any the Inhabitants of the said County: And if any Losse or Damage shall happen to any the Inhabitants
either

either in their Horses or other Cattle, or in any of their Provisions or other Goods, by any of His Majesties Souldiers, That such Losse or Damage shall be repaid and recompenced to the party so suffering, out of the said weekly Loane, at the discretion and on the certificate of two or more of the Commissioners, to be allowed unto him by the Treasurer or Treasurers appointed to receive the same.

That no Free-Quarter or Billet shall be taken by or for any Horse or Foot Souldiers, nor any Tax, Charge, or Provisions whatsoever (other then the Contribution aforesaid) shall be required from or laid upon any the Inhabitants of this County, without present payment for the same in mony, as they shall agree by consent; except only for House-roome, Fire and Candle, according to the Quality of the Person Billeted, and of the Person in whose house he is so Billeted, such as the Master, Mistresse, or Dame of the Family use for themselves and their owne Family.

That no Quarter-Master shall Quarter or Billet any Souldiers without the assistance and consent of the Officers of that place.

That these Agreements may be sealed by order

der of the Councell of Warre, and entred with the Secretary of that Councell; to the end that all Commanders, Officers, and Souldiers may take knowledge of and observe the same.

And it is farther desired by the County on their behalf, That the Lords and others His Majesties Commissioners would by their order, as much as in them lyeth, confirme the same, and give life to the due Execution thereof; and that His Majesty by His Royall Proclamation will be pleased to Command the due Execution and Observation thereof, in all the parts thereof. And His Majesty having perused these Agreements, and declared His Gracious Approbation thereof, now according to the Request made on the behalfe of the County, The Lords and others His Majesties Commissioners doe order, That they will be ready to give their best assistance, that these Agreements shall be duely observed; That they will constantly meet in the Audit-house, there to receive the Complaints of the County, if there shall be Cause, and as there shall be cause to Recommend the redresse of what shall be amisse in any part, either to the Kings Majesty, or to the Councell of Warre, if the Lords themselves

selves shall not have the meanes otherwise to redresse the same. All which His Majesty doth very well approve off, and doth Command it to be Printed and Published in every Church and Chappell of the County; to the end, that notice being generally taken thereof, all Persons of all qualities whom it doth or may concerne, may apply themselves to the performance thereof.

And further, His Majesty being desirous that so good a work may not perish in the Execution, which is the life of all good actions, doth by His Royall Proclamation Declare, That as Hee doubteth not, but that the Inhabitants of this County will on their parts observe the same, and will continue it as long as the necessity shall continue, (which His Majesty will, by all possible means He can, endeavour to shorten and ease;) so He doth strictly Charge and Command, That on the part of the Souldiers, the same be duely observed; and that if any Souldier, of what quality soever, presume to break these Agreements, or to offend contrary to the same, that every such Offender shall be severely proceeded against, according to the quality of his offence, that by the exemplary punishment of some, others may be warned

warned, and deterred from committing the like;
 His Majesty being Resolved, as on the one side, to
 Punish those who will not be admonished, ac-
 cording to the due course of Iustice; so on the o-
 ther side, to Reward those who have and shall
 deserve well by their good examples, according
 to their severall qualities and deservings, as soon
 as it shall please God to enable Him thereunto.
*Given at His Majesties Court at Oxford, the 18. day
 of March, in the Nineteenth year of His Majesties
 Raigne. 1643.*

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